

Campus feedback to help decide next provost

PATRICK BOWDEN
Reporter

The search for a new provost began in July 2016 and will conclude this month after finalists are interviewed.

Dennis Hedge, Jeffrey Thompson and Ian Davison are the three finalists for the positions. Each candidate will visit campus and undergo two days of interviews from faculty, staff and students. Interviews will be between Feb. 7 and Feb. 14.

During these interview days, President Barry Dunn, who ultimately selects the next provost, believes the candidate's "intangible qualities" will be what separates them from each other.

Key traits sought for in provost candidates:

- Value land grant university mission
- Working within shared governance
- Collaborative and innovative leader
- Connecting across the state with Native American population and within the South Dakota Board of Regents

"This next week as we interview the three candidates, we're looking for communication skills – we know they have these other qualifications – so we're looking for an ability to lead with these unique aspects of their background to lead the academic program at this university, and that comes across from how passionate they are about their responses," Dunn said.

While the provost's role on campus deals more with faculty and institutional decisions, the position's involvement with academic affairs directly impacts students through choices on curriculum changes and academic hiring processes, according to Michael Adelaine, vice president of Technology and Safety and chair of the provost search committee.

Despite the provost mostly working with faculty, Students' Association President and provost search committee member Allyson Helms believes this decision will still have a major impact on students.

"From a student perspective the provost is second in command. They're the main advocate for faculty on campus and students don't necessarily see the impact ... [but] hopefully we will have a provost who's ready to listen and interact with student feedback," Helms said. "It's important to have some input to those candidates."

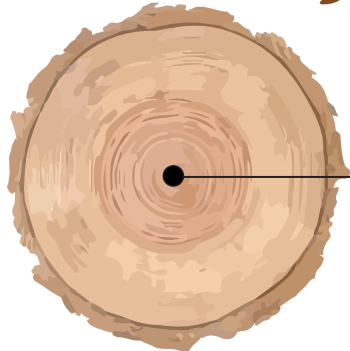
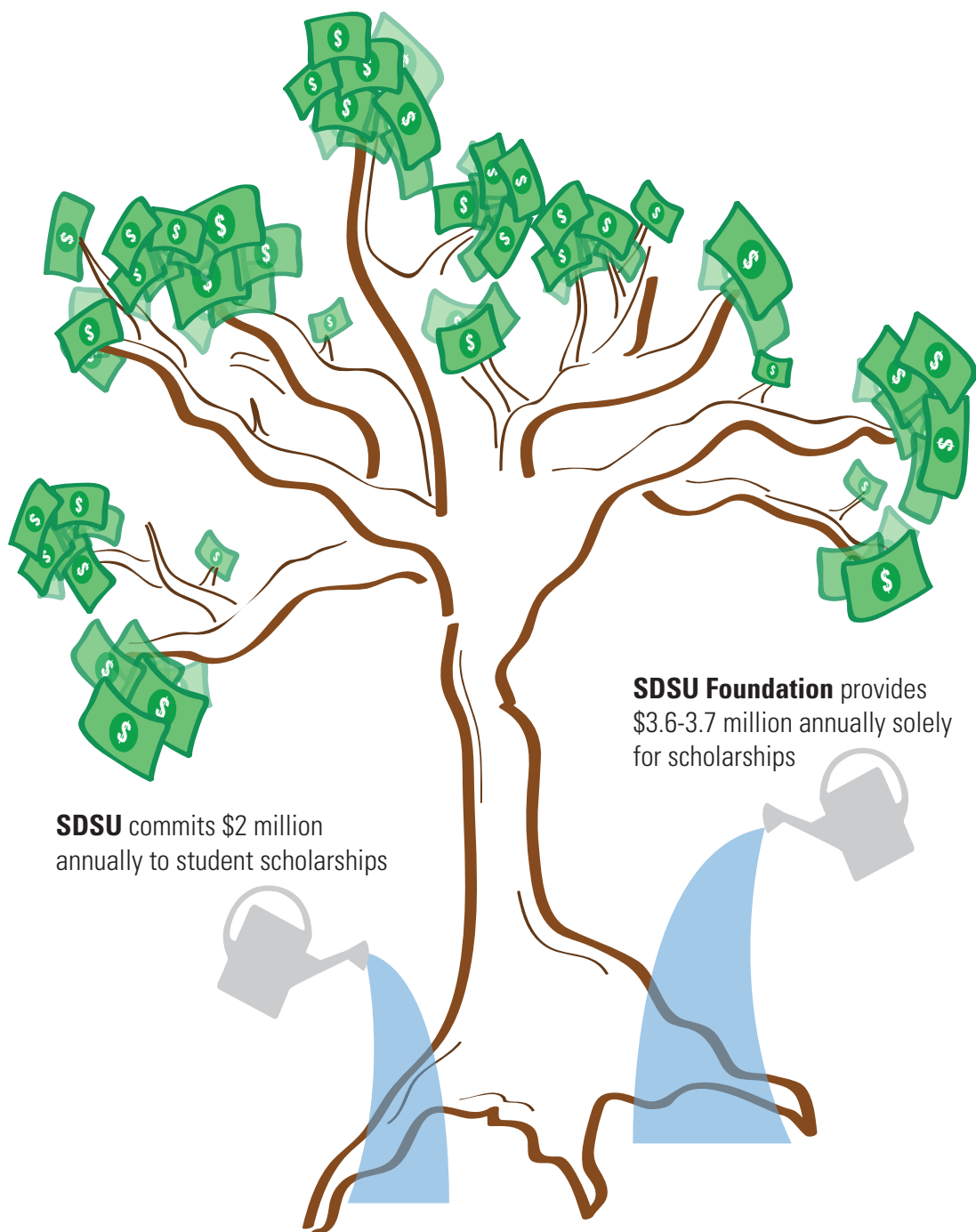
Current interim Provost Hedge took on his role when Laurie Nichols switched her role as provost at SDSU to accept her current position as the president of the University of Wyoming last spring.

Since then, a search committee has worked to find a provost that fits SDSU's current and growing needs. This committee started with an outsourced search committee, Parker Executive Search, where candidates from different ends of the globe were pooled together.

The application search ended in December and began the narrowing down of the candidate pool. According to Helms, this search has not been quick.

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SDSU endures \$800,000 loss in scholarship funds



PRRS Vaccine filed for 20-year patent
September 1991

Patent expires
2016

**SDSU files for 10 - 15 patents annually. Less than 0.5 percent of patents produce a million dollars over their lifetime, much less than that of the Porcine Reproductive & Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) vaccine.*

2011
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SDSU will lose roughly \$800,000 annually from the PRRS vaccine royalty that provided scholarship funds for the past 25 years.

Collegian Graphic by BAILEY HILL

SAMUEL IVANECKY
Reporter

South Dakota State University will no longer receive the roughly \$800,000 annually that had been used to fund student scholarships. This money had been coming from a vaccine royalty which expired in 2016.

The vaccine is for a swine disease known as Porcine Reproductive & Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS), which was originally discovered by researchers at SDSU in the 1980s. In collaboration with the University of Minnesota, SDSU filed for a patent of the vaccine in September of 1991.

Although SDSU has oth-

er patents that produce royalties, the PRRS vaccine was substantially larger than any other.

"We do about \$2 million to \$2.5 million a year in royalties," said William Aylor, assistant vice president of the Office of Technology Transfer & Commercialization. "Roughly a third to half of that has been from the PRRS vaccine."

This begs the question: what will happen to student scholarships?

President Barry Dunn said the amount of scholarship money for students won't decrease in the next year. He hopes to raise the amount of scholarships instead.

As a total, SDSU com-

mits \$2 million annually to fund student scholarships. This money comes partially from royalties, such as in the case of the vaccine, but is also generated through laundry services, vending machine revenue and logo licensing.

According to Dunn, student scholarships for current and incoming students will not be affected, despite the massive drop in funding.

"Colleges have some reserves, there's always a flow of money from tuition and fees, so it's a matter of allocation," Dunn said. "Something in the college is just not going to get done that was done before."

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New fall course on citizenship

SARAH KIM
Reporter

The College of Arts and Sciences will implement a new course next fall focused on citizenship, diversity, inclusion and equity.

Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity will be added to the college's graduation requirement for the incoming class, as well as students who switch to a major within the College of Arts and Sciences beginning 2017.

A&S 111 will involve active discussion and intergroup dialogue pertaining to issues concerning citizenship.

"It's not just about being aware of diversity. The real focus is on 'how can I be a good citizen?'" said Dean of Arts and Sciences Dennis Papini.

Papini hopes the course will provide students with the critical thinking tools they need to make sense of complicated issues.

"We're not trying to tell them what to think, we're trying to show them how to think," Papini said. "This is a class that is going to provide students with the opportunity to think about issues from perspectives that they may not be familiar with."

Graduate student Kaitlyn Abrahamson said that the course would have helped her academic career while she was a freshman majoring in global studies.

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Student organization takes part in anti-abortion march in D.C.

IAN LACK
Reporter

The 44th annual March for Life, the largest annual anti-abortion rally in the world, was held in Washington D.C. Jan. 27 and drew an attendance estimated in the hundreds of thousands.

Among those in attendance was a group of 15 students from Jacks for Life, a student organization from South Dakota State. The organization identifies itself as pro-life, advocating for life by representing their interests before city and state legislators and providing resources for expectant mothers.

The students left for the march Thursday morning, Jan. 26, traveled to Minneapolis and departed on a flight to D.C. to march the following day. The group had been planning and fundraising for the trip since September of last year.

"The exec. members had to devote a lot of time to fundraise for this trip, but it was definitely rewarding and I'd do it again for sure," said Mary Lack, president of Jacks for Life. "To be able to walk with everybody else when there (were) so many young adults and kids there as well, and to be able to talk to people there was really special."

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CORRECTION:

In the article titled "SA approves constitution," the conference of the Midwest Regional American Dairy Science Association – Student Affiliate Division was hosted in Brookings, not Omaha. The piece was printed in the Feb. 1 issue of The Collegian.

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As far as the allocation of funds within SDSU goes, Dunn said there was no central decision being made for the colleges, rather each of the six schools would be allowed to choose how to go about allocating their own funds.

While the university will lose scholarship money due to the expired royalty, another source of scholarship dollars comes from the SDSU Foundation.

“Every year somewhere around \$3.6 to \$3.7 million of what we raise goes toward student scholarships,” said SDSU Foundation CEO and President Steve Erpenbach. The foundation is not technically part of the university and is funded solely by donors.

The foundation then sends the donated money to the university to be used for anything from student scholarships, to academic and athletic buildings. This money is allocated based on what the donor chooses to support.

In a recent campaign, the SDSU Foundation raised \$255 million over six years, as part of a comprehensive campaign, and is averaging roughly \$50 million in donations annually.

“In the last campaign there were a lot of building projects. I think moving forward in the next year and beyond, the focus will be on more scholarships for students and faculty support.”

The money the foundation supplies for student scholarships, including the Jackrabbit Guarantee and the Briggs and Lohr Scholarships, will not be affected by the lost royalty, as the money comes from a separate source.

Despite the lost revenue, current and incoming students should expect to see no change in the amount of scholarship money awarded at SDSU.

“We are still committed to doing that, but we will have to find other sources of revenue,” Dunn said. “The pool will stay the same.”

iGrow brings Extension impact to global level

KATIE BERNDT
Reporter

With viewers in 208 countries and a readership the size of South Dakota, the iGrow program at South Dakota State has made a lasting impact in the agricultural industry.

iGrow, the online information outlet for SDSU Extension, proves Extension is more than just 4-H.

As South Dakota’s land-grant university, SDSU is responsible for running the Extension program, which is the state’s center for research-based information on agriculture, natural resources, family and community development. Research from many of SDSU’s top instructors is distributed through the Extension program to communities and individuals around the state. iGrow is the method by which Extension distributes their research and information.

iGrow was developed in 2011 with the switch from county extension offices to regional centers, iGrow Technology Coordinator Lindsey Ge-

rard said. The program was designed as an accessible alternative to distributing Extension information.

“iGrow is SDSU Extension’s education tool,” Gerard said. “It is the 24/7 access to our expertise for our audience.”

According to Gerard, it was never their intent to expand globally. But several topics meant to target South Dakota are also relevant to other places. The effects of issues such as water access, food security and climate change are felt internationally.

The primary goal of iGrow is to serve as a source of education for producers and consumers alike, Gerard said. When iGrow began, its information was targeted toward the core topics of livestock and food safety. The site’s coverage now includes advice on natural resources, healthy eating and gardening.

According to Daniel Scholl, interim dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, iGrow is a critical tool to broadening the impact of SDSU Extension in surrounding areas. The response to iGrow publi-



cations is important feedback, used by university faculty involved with Extension, to further develop their education techniques, Scholl said. The faculty’s belief is that their job is not complete until the information has, not only been delivered, but absorbed and used by their audience.

“They look at [the feedback] and if people aren’t accessing their information, the question becomes ‘why,’” Scholl said. “Is it not relevant, is it not accurate, or is it just because there are other things on people’s minds at this particular point in time?”

With nearly half of iGrow content viewed from mobile devices, Gerard said an update to the program’s existing app is

high on their list of upcoming projects, along with other updates to the website and new online management tools for livestock producers.

The program has grown from 563,864 page views in 2012, to more than 1 million in 2016, Scholl said. These statistics also showed that more than 500 farm publications nationwide now use iGrow as a trusted source of information.

“There are three things we do in the university,” Scholl said. “We create knowledge and create solutions to problems. Then we disseminate it through degree programs and through extension programming. For that wide public dissemination, this is an absolutely critical tool.”



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iGrow has a readership the size of South Dakota. Developed in 2011, the program is used in more than 200 different countries.

SDSU software connects students to organizations, clubs

DIANE DYKES
Reporter

South Dakota State now has a centralized system for students to access more than 200 clubs and organizations.

The website, Jacks Club Hub, was created last semester through collaboration between the Students’ Association and the Center for Student Engagement. The site is now live and available to all students.

According to Assistant Director for Student Engagement Addie Borah, a majority of student organizations have already tried to get registered through the site.

“We’re going to take the rest

of the spring semester and do kind of a soft launch,” Borah said. “So, we’re going to get a link so that people can go there and check it out now.”

Throughout the soft launch, Borah said students will not yet find a link on MyState or SDSU’s website for Jacks Club Hub, but that it will come in time for its full launch in the fall.

The website will have a keyword search that can be used by students to find clubs and organizations based on interest.

“It will help find what you are interested in,” Borah said. “Which is something that’s kind of cool, and something that we never really had before.”

According to Borah, the site will include tutorials showing students how to navigate the site and each club’s page will have photos, a member’s roster, events page and more.

The site shows where, when and how to get to both club meetings and public events, as well as allow students to RSVP and check the weather for the day of the event.

Jacks Club Hub will be available on a mobile app called Croq. Though it won’t be identical to the website, it will still allow students to look up events and maps.

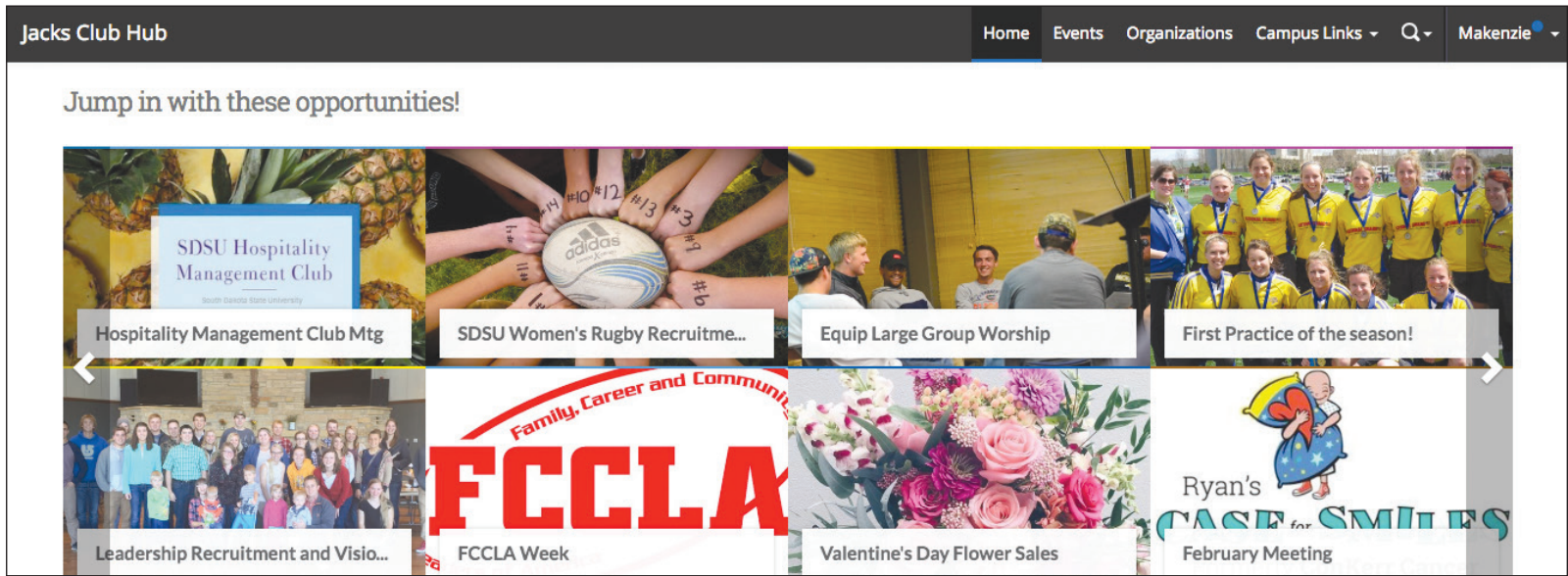
Though the site is relatively new for SDSU, the South Dakota School of Mines and Technol-

ogy has had a similar website for some time.

According to Corey Headley, director of student activities and leadership at SDSMT, the site allows student organizations another opportunity to advertise.

Students across SDSU have been creating club pages throughout January and Cassidy Sloat, president of the dietetics and health sciences club, is one of them.

“I definitely like the design and the functionality of the website — it has a lot of potential,” Sloat said. “We are excited to use it for a more organized way of sharing events with our members in the future.”



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Jacks Club Hub was created in the 2016 fall semester by the Students’ Association and the Center for Student Engagement. All students can use the site to connect with on-campus student organizations.

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E-Cigarette, tobacco bans fail at SA meeting

EMILY De WAARD
News Editor

Students' Association's Feb. 6 meeting carried out a diverse agenda, with a short word from President Dunn, a financial presentation, club constitution approvals, and E-Cigarette and tobacco ban discussions.

After passing a resolution last week in support of a smoke-free policy, SA debated an all-tobacco ban and an E-Cigarette ban. Both bans failed, the tobacco ban failing in a 10-17 vote and the E-Cig ban by a closer margin of 13-15.

Dunn kicked off the meeting with an introduction to "The Wokini Initiative: A Strategic Investment to Better Serve the Dakota and Lakota Residents of South Dakota." This initiative would offer programming and support to citizens of the nine tribal nations in South Dakota interested in gaining access to

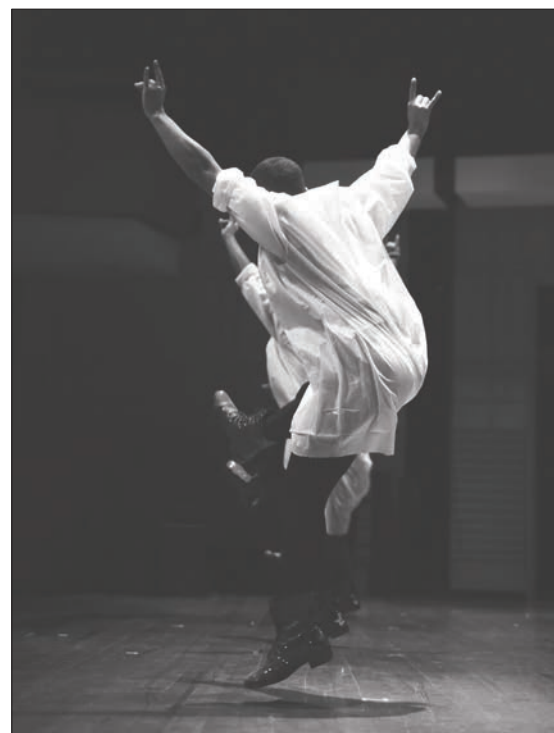
educational and advancement opportunities at SDSU.

Vice President for Finance and Business Wes Tschetter, presented on the changes that will be made to the bond and utility fee as part of the General Activity Fee strategic plan. The Bond and Utility fee would be assessed on a per-credit-hour basis, as opposed to being part of meal plan fees. This would spread the cost of the Union's food services and facilities to all on-campus students, as opposed to solely freshmen and sophomore meal plans.

Several club constitutions were approved at the meeting including South Dakota State Muslim Cultural Students' Association (MCSA), SDSU Change Makers, Hula Hoop Club and Jackrabbit Youth Mentoring Club.

The next SA meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13, in the Lewis and Clark room in The Union.

FEATURE PHOTOS:



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Above: The University of Minnesota fraternity Phi Beta Sigma coordinate their sounds to create rhythm in their routine during the BSA Black Out Step Show Saturday Feb. 4th.

Left: In a moment from their performance in the Performing Arts Center, the women from the SDSU step team strike a pose for the audience during the Black Out Step Show.

Right: A step performer in the sorority Zeta Phi Beta from the University of Minnesota coordinates a jump in a routine with her fellow steppers during the Black Out Step Show.

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Editorial

Issue:

What’s class? What’s life? What’s motivation? We’re stressed.

We’re at that point in the semester where we’re consumed by stress. It’s hard to wake up in the morning because it’s easier to avoid all the responsibilities on the daily check list. There’s no social time unless you schedule it on your phone. Fifteen minutes for Facetiming with Tanya. Thirty minutes for lunch with Dan. We, at The Collegian, have a lot of stuff on our plate right now — just like everyone else. We’re at that point in the semester where we can’t even write an editorial that focuses on anything else. We’re stressed. Disclaimer: We got off track multiple times talking about Marvel and DC comics, different types of alcohol and Jason Momoa. It’s not like we’re super stressed about just school — most of us are journalism or graphic design majors, I mean, come on. But it’s really just about this time of year and how it can be the “February slump.” In general, this entire semester is crammed with activities and requirements, and it makes almost everyone feel as if they’re

constantly experiencing a migraine. We’re in the one part of the semester where there are no breaks for more than a month. No long weekend to give us some time to relax. We’re also in that time of year where we haven’t really seen the sun for about four months. We, at The Collegian, miss the sun. But maybe just having a full schedule isn’t what makes this time stressful for everyone. Sometimes it’s what preoccupies your mind — that scary term: the future. Everyone is scrambling to find summer internships, find jobs, new places to live, ways to schedule their fall classes or graduate smoothly. All of these concerns weigh down on your mind until those are the only things left, still unchecked on the to-do list. Do we even have to talk about how exhausting relationships are? It’s all worn us down. A person who’s under constant stress is like an animal that’s constantly in fight or flight mode. Your body eventually shuts down if it’s in that mode for too long, accord-

ing to the Communications Workers of America Safety and Health Department. The physical reactions of fight or flight are meant to provide more energy and prepare the body for action. When this process is constantly functioning, our bodies are working overtime and our entire system is weakened. So stress is bad. We already knew that, but for some reason we tell ourselves that by keeping ourselves busy and by “working through the stress” that we’re being productive or we’re successful. But we’re just burning ourselves out before we’re able to actually make something of ourselves. So take care of yourself. Read self-help articles, Pinterest ways to relieve stress, talk about how you got to this point. Take care of yourself. We, at the Collegian, reached the point in the semester where we just needed to sit down and spill all the stressors that have dragged us down to becoming the over exhausted zombies we currently look like. We vented. You can vent too.

Stance:

We just needed to vent. You can too. It’s OK.

The Collegian editorial board meets weekly and agrees on the issue of the editorial. The editorial represents the opinion of The Collegian.

What makes America great to me as an international Muslim student

ABDEL MO
Columnist

With the election of Donald Trump, race has been a focal point in American politics. From calls to build the wall, to calls for banning Muslims from entering the country, it is clear that Americans have divided views. As an international student who grew up in other multicultural countries, it is fascinating to witness how far America has come from slavery to Jim Crow to the civil rights movement and then to the election of the first African-American president in 2008. As a young boy, I was always fascinated with America and the ideals of freedom and equality. They seemed appealing, especially since I grew up under monarchies in the Middle East. President Obama’s win in 2008 cemented this idea in my mind that anything is possible in America and that this country is the theater of dreams. I grew to believe that America is a place where your

worth is based, not on the color of your skin, but the content of your character. With the American dream in my heart and a love for this new America, I boarded a flight to O’Hare some five odd years ago. America, to me, was a place where a guy with a funny name like mine could aspire to be the leader of the free world. That was a beautiful thing. Even though I still have total faith in the American people and my love for this country is undeterred, Trump’s America is not a familiar place for me. Not only that, it almost seems inhospitable. As someone who grew up with a Muslim name, I have always experienced the collective guilt all Muslims feel when some psychopath decides to do something terrible in our name. But we always had great leaders like President Obama, Angela Merkel and even President George W. Bush defending us. They told the world that our faith and our dark skin didn’t mean we were inherently evil, nor that we have malicious

intentions. Statements of support from those leaders prevented us from being robbed of all our humanity. They made us feel like normal members of society, made us feel welcome, loved and, most importantly, made us realize that we, as members of a faith 1.2 billion strong, are not collectively guilty of all the evil actions that a miniscule amount of people, claiming to be Muslims, commit in our religion’s name. With this new administration and president, it seems like we have lost that support. It almost seems like demonizing Muslims and immigrants is completely acceptable. My intentions are not to paint a bleak picture of the condition of the Muslim and immigrant communities, but I do feel a lot can be done to ensure that everyone is treated with the dignity and respect they deserve. I commend the wonderful job the South Dakota State community is doing in exhibiting support for the Muslim and

minority students on campus. Statements from the president and prominent faculty at SDSU are heartwarming and deeply appreciated. What we as minority students would like to see, is more American students engaging with us on a personal level — getting to know us, recognizing the things we have in common and learning that we are not that different after all. And for so many students who grew up in a very homogeneous red state, I think getting out of their shell and making new friends by engaging with the international community, will be a great learning experience. So, I challenge domestic students to go out and engage with their international counterparts and contribute toward developing that understanding, camaraderie and values of equality that America is known for across the globe.

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Goodbye, 109


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Guest Columnist

I felt great excitement when I read about SDSU’s decision to remove IGR classes from its graduation requirements, including the first-year seminar, or 109, classes. I personally think it’s the right decision, albeit a little late. I understand the need for helping freshmen take a first look into college life. However, for the other students who are confident enough to start their majors, including me, the course is usually considered useless and a waste of time. I had to take UC 109 alongside my senior capstone in my last semester, just to fulfill the requirements. It already sounds crazy enough — what’s the point of sitting with undecided freshmen, when I already survived four years of college?

The problem was worsened as the University College is designed to help indecisive and undeclared students. Therefore, UC 109 tends to help them discover themselves, as well as the surrounding community and environment, albeit in a pretty forceful way. I want to emphasize the word “forceful.” And, naturally, anything done in a forceful way is not going to be enjoyable. Not at all, not in any means. Besides taking the Gallup’s StrengthQuest assessment, to help us discover our strengths, the rest of my class was my worst experience at SDSU. Every time I came to class I felt like I was in a prison. We were assigned a heavy load of group work, which included going to many Brookings and campus locations together and taking group photos to turn in as “proof.” Literally, we were forced to make friends with each other and spend a considerable amount of time together. We were assigned to go to at least five campus events, of different criteria, and turn in our reflections and, again, turn in group selfies with tickets or posters signed by the organizers as proof. We had to read the “Common Read” book and give thoughtful reflections. Or, in other words, the book was shoved into our mouths. To sum up the nightmare, my instructor was serious about grading those assignments. She counted the proofs, as well as how many group members were presented in them. If someone failed to complete an assignment, she did not hesitate to toss an F. I remember looking at the class grade distribution online, and found out about 15 of the students were given Fs for their assignments. I was not sure if those students failed the entire class, but I can’t think of anything sillier than hurting your GPA with an F for first year seminar. I got a B for the class, which was a hairline close to a C. I think that was good enough to end a nightmare. Now, SDSU has come to the decision to remove 109s from the curriculum. I am glad the next generations won’t need to suffer what I had to. Farewell, dreadful 109.

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“Rings:” unwanted, unneeded sequel back from the grave

**Movie night**
with Ian Lack

Editor's Note: The grading system used here is similar to the 10-point scale used in SDSU courses.

GRADE: D-

In a weekend dominated by a Super Bowl game too tempting to turn away from, what could Hollywood possibly offer up to get people into a theater? Apparently, a long overdue sequel no one asked for and no one should be excited about.

Following a narrative close to

its original 1998 Japanese film and English-language remake, “Rings” tells the tale of a teenage couple, Holt (Alex Roe) and Julia (Matilda Lutz), who are going through a rough patch in their relationship.

When we first meet the couple, Holt is heading off to college, while Julia stays at home to care for her sick mother.

However, Holt doesn’t keep the best contact with his girlfriend and Julia follows him to campus, where she discovers that Holt’s professor, Gabriel Brown (Johnny Galecki), is experimenting with the supernatural.

This experiment involves a video that, when shown to a view-

er, brings on a haunting from an otherworldly girl named Samara (Bonnie Morgan). As with all of the “Ring” movies, once you see this video, you get a phone call and the creepy girl on the other end whispers, “seven days,” and, you guessed it, she comes to kill you seven days later.

After saving Holt from the psychopathic killer/college professor and watching the film herself, Julia and Holt go on a deeply philosophical journey to uncover the secrets behind Samara.

The mystery boils down to a final showdown between the living and the dead.

Even without seeing this film, there are several tell-tale signs of

its poor quality:

1. This is a February release and it was previously slated for October.
2. Paramount held its embargo on reviews for the film until days before the film’s release, I assume in hopes to avoid bad press.
3. The movie’s trailers, like the film itself, were poorly edited and offered nothing near excitement.

But what makes a horror flick go this wrong? A combination of things.

First off, this flick offers no real scares, opting for gore and the creeps instead. Is that bad? Not necessarily, but it needed to overcome that with a better-written story and sharper twists in the

mystery. But, this film doesn’t offer that either.

What it does offer is cringe-worthy. A muted color palette isn’t a stand-in for effective cinematography. The one brief silver lining this movie has is in its star, Matilda Lutz. Her performance as the typical tortured girl is actually rather good and she comes into her own with what little she has to work with.

My best advice in regard to “Rings?” Avoid it like the haunted video in this film. If not, you’ll die of boredom.

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Fancy suits and a mission: Jacks Forensics give voice to voiceless

VIRAJ PATEL
Columnist

It was a successful weekend for Jackrabbit Forensics.

Benjamin Hummel placed sixth in Extemporaneous Speaking and was a semi-finalist in Parliamentary Debate.

Taylor Gilmore placed third in Extemporaneous Speaking, first in Impromptu Speaking and first in After Dinner Speaking.

Jessica Boesch placed first in Persuasive Speaking and was a semi-finalist in Parliamentary Debate. Boesch’s persuasive speech is about the side-effects of not legalizing marijuana in the United States. Contrary to popular opinion, she brings a whole new perspective to the debate.

Lauren Buiser placed first in After Dinner Speaking, first in Persuasive Speaking and sixth in Communication Analysis, all on day one. She placed second in After Dinner Speaking and third in Persuasive Speaking on day two.

Buiser’s After Dinner speech focuses on the income gap between male and female work-

ers in the same jobs. Her persuasive speech is about the affordable housing scenario in the United States. Her analysis of current rhetoric in comparison to a communication article, is focused on the use of commemoration of past issues as an influence on the current conversation surrounding women’s rights.

Jacob Womack placed second in After Dinner Speaking, fourth in Extemporaneous Speaking and third in Impromptu Speaking, all in day one. He placed first in After Dinner Speaking, first in Extemporaneous Speaking and third in Impromptu Speaking on day two. Womack’s After Dinner Speech was about Esperanto, a language which is relatively simple compared to English and gaining international traction.

I placed fourth in Impromptu Speaking, fifth in Extemporaneous Speaking and sixth in Persuasive Speaking, all on day one. On day two, I placed first in Impromptu Speaking, fourth in Extemporaneous Speaking and second in Persuasive Speaking. My persuasive speech addresses the

problems associated with climate change communication.

The members were split up between competitions in St. Cloud, Minnesota and Long Beach, California. The former placed fourth overall and latter placed second in team sweepstakes on both days.

The team is coached by Andrea Carlile, Kaitlyn Voges and Ashley Pikel.

Public speaking should raise your heart rate. It should blow the doors off the place. When the members of the Jackrabbit Forensics put on suits and travel over a weekend, we go out with a mission. A mission to inform the American electorate. To give citizens the tools to advocate.

That’s what we did this weekend. We gave a voice to the voiceless.

We fought for topics which might seem trivial to the common eye, but create problems for many across the nation and the world.

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Social media presence isn’t as important as actual presence

RACHEL ASTLEFORD
Columnist

I’m guilty of it.

I take my phone with me practically everywhere I go. I scroll through Instagram or snapchat friends when I’m bored.

It’s an easy distraction.

However, recently, social media started to consume my time more than I’d like to admit. I found myself failing to concentrate on homework more often than usual. I was getting frustrated with my own mind. I had never really had that problem before.

Out of frustration, I deleted a few apps that were taking up a large majority of my time and, at first, it was hard to adjust. I kept going to reach for my phone then setting it right back down because I knew there was no reason to check it.

It has only been a week and a half since I deleted those apps and the temptation to check them or re-download them is practically gone. I’ve noticed that I’ve been able to concentrate on more important things.

I think we’re all familiar with diet “cleanses;” the diets that supposedly flush toxins from our bodies. Well, I guess I’ll call this my “social media cleanse.”

It’s been nice to spend less time on my phone, allowing for more time with myself or others. It’s been freeing, in a way.

I personally believe it was a healthy thing to do for myself. I urge you to reevaluate the priorities in your life and decide if you need to make a change as far as social media and screen time goes.

If you don’t spend a lot of time on social media, then you’re one step ahead.

If you feel as though you spend an unhealthy amount of time with your eyes staring at a screen, make changes.

There’s no excuse. Delete apps. Shut the phone off.

I think you’ll be happy you did.

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SUDOKU

To solve the Sudoku puzzle, each row, column and box must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

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The students began their march in the shadow of the Washington Monument and ended on the steps of the Supreme Court, where they heard testimonies from people who had abortions and now regret them.

The group met with South Dakota Sen. John Thune; Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood director turned anti-abortion activist; and Lisa Stover, national programs coordinator for Students for Life of America.

The group was also present in the crowds that heard Counselor to the President Kellyanne Conway and Vice President Mike Pence deliver speeches.

“I believe that we will continue to win the hearts and minds of the rising generation if our hearts first break for young mothers and their unborn children,” Pence said in his speech, delivered on behalf of the Trump administration.

In 2010, Gallup concluded that “support for making abortion broadly illegal, (was) growing fastest among young adults.” A 2016 Gallup poll said 29 percent of people felt that abortion should be “legal in all circumstances,” 50 percent “under only certain circumstances” and 19 percent believed abortion should be “illegal in all circumstances.”

The march came just one week after a series of Women’s Marches were held across the country, including in D.C., where there were calls for unrestricted access to abortion.

Among those in the Sioux Falls Women’s March was freshman pre-nursing major Alexis Dooley, vice president of Feminist Equality Movement (FEM), a student organization on campus that advocates for unrestricted access to abortion, among other women’s issues.

“This isn’t something that should be political. It’s a really personal decision for women and it’s something that should be a freedom for us because these are our bodies,” Dooley said. “We don’t want abortions to happen, but the option should be there for people.”

Junior human biology pre-medicine major Meghan Schenk was one of the 15 students who marched with the student organization and said she believes in a woman’s right to choose, but also believes that “once a baby is present, they have a voice.”

“We are the pro-life generation and hopefully, we’re the generation to end abortion,” Schenk said. “I think it’s important to advocate for people who can’t have their voices heard and experience the joy, fear, love and life that we can.”

This is the second year Jacks for Life has attended the anti-abortion march in D.C. and members plan to attend it again next year.



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Men and women take part in the 44th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Jan. 27, 2017. Several hundred thousand people marched from the Washington monument to the steps of the Supreme Court.

Review: Twenty One Pilots performs energized show

BRET WERPY
Columnist

The duo Twenty One Pilots performed for a sold out crowd on Saturday, Feb. 4 at the Denny Sanford PREMIER Center in Sioux Falls.

The crowd settled in for a night promising to be ripe with energy, and they weren’t disappointed.

Twenty One Pilots is on their second leg of their “Emotional Roadshow” tour. The band Judah & the Lion and artist Jon Bellion are accompanying them as their opening acts throughout the tour.

The first act, Judah & the Lion, plays alternative music using mandolin, banjo, drums, piano, keyboard and vocals. They intermixed their set with an amalgamation of their original songs and covers from different styles and artists to accent their diverse musical roots.

Judah & the Lion played a full set of songs including their hit “Take it all Back” and a cover of “Booty Work.” The Nashville band quartet delivered their own special folk alternative twist to the dance classic.

Next, Jon Bellion took the stage. He brought with him many touring musicians to cover the musical duties required to perform live.

The highlight of Bellion’s set was a performance of his recent hit “All Time Low,” inviting the crowd to sing every word. By the end of his set, Bellion had the whole crowd singing along and dancing.

A suspenseful build up between Bellion’s performance and the main act prepared fans for a magical and exciting show.

After the opening bands, the show was underway with Josh Dunn, drummer for Twenty One Pilots, laying the drum work for “Fairly Local” into the fast paced beat of “Heavydirtysoul.”

Both Dunn and Pilots vocalist Tyler Joseph wore their trademark ski masks. For the first few songs, Twenty One Pilots played a list of fan-favorite tracks intertwined together. Within the first few songs, Joseph played a variety of instruments, including piano, ukulele and bass.

Twenty One Pilots provided a spectacle of a show by disappearing from the main stage to a different spot in the arena several times.

The highlights of their set included: “Ride,” “Stressed Out” and “Tear in My Heart.”

The duo ended their set with the song “Trees,” resulting in a dance party throughout the crowd and confetti cannons.

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“We had a very wide and diverse candidate pool to begin with ... we had to eliminate about 85 percent [of candidates] to get to semifinalists and even more to get to where we are now,” Helms said.

However, now that the search committee has narrowed it down to three finalists, Adelaine said it is now time for the SDSU community to help weigh in on the final selection for provost.

“It is an excellent opportunity to be actively involved in campus operations. If a student doesn’t get involved, then they have no other avenue for input on important hiring decisions,” Adelaine said. “Those who attend the in-person interviews will be able to ask questions and hear answers directly from the candidates.”

Dunn also feels that student input on the provost will be key in a final decision.

“The voice of the student is incredibly important to me, and they will have an enormous impact going forward into this next decade for the students in the future,” Dunn said.

Student interview panels are open to all students. Hedge’s in-

terview was Tuesday Feb. 7, Thompson’s interview is Feb. 8 and Davison’s interview is scheduled for Feb. 13. Each will be between 5:15 and 6 p.m.

Dunn said that as students and faculty attend finalist interview panels, SDSU is not just looking for a candidate with the right qualifications, but one that “fits” with the school, what it stands for and what it hopes to be in the future.

“We’re looking for fit – is this the sort of person faculty can connect with and work with well? ...” Dunn said. “We’ve already determined they’re qualified in their fields and now we’re looking for some of those intangible things.”

Throughout the course of the finalist interviews, Dunn believes it will naturally become clear who the next provost should be.

“It’s amazing. Having done this as a dean of Agriculture [and Biological Sciences],” Dunn said. “I’ve hired many people and it kind of sorts itself out, a leading candidate emerges that people rally for.”

Students and faculty can access live videos of the interviews through their MyState or InsideState accounts. An online survey will be attached to give feedback on the candidates.

Meet the candidates:

Dennis Hedge

- Student interview: Feb. 7
- Current position: Interim provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at SDSU since 2016

Jeffrey Thompson

- Student interview: Feb. 8
- Current position: Dean of College of Science at Nevada, Reno since 2008

Ian Davison

- Student interview: Feb. 13
- Current position: Dean of the College of Science and Engineering at Central Michigan University since 2008

>> **NEW CLASS**
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“I would have been able to research with a more open mind and see things I wouldn’t have seen otherwise. It [the course] would have broadened my abilities as a student,” Abrahamson said.

According to Associate Dean of College of Arts and Sciences Jason Zimmerman, the topics covered in the course are “woven throughout” a student’s experiences.

“We want this to be something they are thinking about and working with all four years so they’re well-positioned to be able to tackle these issues in the context of their majors,” Zimmerman said.

Mary Machado, a junior from Venezuela majoring in electrical engineering, thinks A&S 111 can be beneficial to international students as well.

“It’s the same type of culture shock for both Americans and international students,” said Machado. “They [international students] don’t know the culture here, and there are many different countries represented at SDSU, so it’s good that the goal is to grow respect on campus.”

Ultimately, Papini said, the purpose of A&S 111 is to impart foundational skills students can apply long after their time at SDSU.

“We’re hoping it’s the beginning of an important reflection,” Papini said. “We want them to apply this to their life.”

Brookings Interfaith Council connecting religiously diverse community

GARRETT AMMESMAKI
News Editor

The Brookings Interfaith Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 9 at the Islamic Society of Brookings.

The group aims to connect people of differing faiths within the Brookings community, as well as share their culture and food. The upcoming discussion will be about the role of religion in enacting social change.

“It will be a timely topic for us to think about as our nation is going through some upheavals,” said Dianne Nagy, grant proposal specialist at South Dakota State and a member of the Interfaith planning committee. “There are some concerns around some of the increased rhetoric of exclusion and vilification that people have brought up.”

The previous meeting of the Interfaith Council drew about 30 people from various religions; including Buddhism, Islam and Hinduism. They broke into small groups and discussed how to collaborate across their cultural divides, and work with others who hold fundamentally different beliefs.

“[We] shared the way our fears get in the way of interacting with other people,” said Larry Ort, SDSU introduction to ethics adjunct professor and member of the planning committee. “Sometimes we just don’t know how to communicate with people that are very different than us.”

People shared multiple strategies to overcome their uneasiness, Nagy said. One of the main ways was stepping outside their comfort zone and getting to know people who are different than themselves.

Ort believes that realizing no religions are truly different in their overall goals is one of the best ways to bridge any sort of division. He also wants to see more people at the meetings, giving extra credit to his students if they attend.

“The thing about the world’s great religions [is] they work to promote love and peace,” Ort said. “When it comes to working towards the topic of enacting social change, the question is, fundamentally, what can we do to enhance peace, love and understanding within our communities?”

Lifestyles

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IAN LACK • The Collegian

A customer shops at the new Hitch location. The grand-opening for the new Main Avenue store took place Feb. 6 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house.

Hitch Studio celebrates three-year anniversary at new location

IAN LACK
Reporter

After serving the Brookings community for three years, Hitch Studio has relocated to its largest facility to date, on Main Avenue.

The studio commemorated their new logo, store hours and location with a Feb. 6 ribbon-cutting ceremony and open, with founders and co-owners Renee Halgerson and Carrie Kuhl present.

The relocation serves multiple purposes, but Halgerson and Kuhl felt space was the biggest reason for the change.

“We were busting at the seams and we just wanted room to have more retail,” Kuhl said. “Now, we can include more men’s stuff and more religious and kid’s items. We

also have more of a professional space with our new location.”

The studio doubles as a design and gift boutique. It also offers web and graphic design, wedding services and a variety of retail products, such as paper items and small gifts.

Before founding Hitch, both Halgerson and Kuhl had freelance graphic design businesses in addition to their full-time jobs. They knew each other from serving on the American Institute for Graphic Arts (AIGA) board of directors, and eventually had the idea of starting their own full-time business.

Rather than competing against each other in a small town like Brookings, they decided to launch a business together, which was a perfect fit as both are South Dakota State graduates and have each

taught at SDSU.

After Halgerson relocated from Sioux Falls, the two transitioned away from their full-time jobs and began working to create Hitch. Each year, they expanded to include more space and services for their customers.

Vickie Walters, a resident of Madison, said she’s been a customer since the studio first opened. Walters said she travels back to Brookings often to shop at Hitch for “the friendliness of the work staff and everything you can find there.”

“It’s a kind of quality place that you wouldn’t expect here for this area,” Walters said.

Since opening in 2014, Hitch has hired more than 10 employees and interns, all SDSU students.

“Renee and Carrie are amazing

with helping me explore what wedding planning coordinating is like and what this kind of environment is like,” said Taylor Kiehl, junior graphic design major and current Hitch employee. “I’d definitely recommend something like this for students who need some experience.”

While the owners agree the new studio location presents challenges like new expenses and an increased commitment, Halgerson and Kuhl said they remain devoted to the business they started together.

“I think there’s an extreme level of respect that we have for each other,” Halgerson said. “I don’t think this would work without that, and the way that the Brookings community has supported us.”

Jack’s Weekly Horoscopes



Aries

A new pastime will bring new friendships, while work may bring a bounty of carrots.



Taurus

New opportunities will hop your way while you’re in the spotlight this week.



Gemini

You’re craving a change of routine, but take your time to explore all options before jumping in.



Cancer

You may run into a new career option. Save your carrots, you never know when you’ll need them.



Leo

This week’s focus should be on the future and your relationships with fellow Jackrabbits.



Virgo

Hopping into a new set of habits will help you overcome blind spots in your life.



Libra

It may feel like you’re falling in love with some bunny this week, but it’s best to take things slow.



Scorpio

A new path for you to hop down will be made clear while you plan for your future.



Sagittarius

Think deeply before jumping to conclusions. You also may reconnect with an old friend.



Capricorn

Letting go of obligations will benefit you. Take caution if signing a lease on a new rabbit den.



Aquarius

Now is a good time to look into rabbit relationships and work out any issues you have.



Pisces

Work on your well-being by paying off bills and bouncing away from stressors.

Valentine’s Day Dates

by Laura Butterbrodt



Deciding how to spend Valentine’s Day with your significant other (or your friends) can be hard. Instead of saying “I don’t care, you pick,” try one of these date ideas:

The cheap date

Hit up the McDonald’s drive through. Hello, dollar menu.

The casual date

Go to the bowling alley for a few games.

The anti-date

Do you hate Valentine’s Day? Do the least romantic thing you can think of. For example, sit in bed and watch Netflix, go to the humane society and play with the animals, or do homework in the library or Union. No matter what you do, just completely ignore the entire “meaning” of the day.

The date for busy couples

Just because you both have a lot on your plate doesn’t mean you can’t still celebrate. Set aside a short amount of time to meet up, even if you only have time to say hello for a little while over coffee.

The first date

No need to go all out just because your first date is near Valentine’s Day. Stick with something simple — dinner at a casual restaurant like Cubby’s and a movie.

The romantic date

Get dressed up and go to one of Brookings’ fancier restaurants like The Pheasant or the Old Market Eatery. Bring a bouquet of roses and splurge on a bottle of wine.

The lazy date

Put on your comfiest sweats and make some popcorn or order pizza. Binge on a season of the show you watch together or watch a newly added movie like Finding Dory.

The wanderer date

Pick up your date and start driving. Make a good playlist and enjoy the views together. Stay in town or find a new destination on your mini-road trip.

The Galentine’s date

Grab your single ladies and celebrate Galentine’s Day. Get ice cream, turn on a chick flick and enjoy the company of your best friends.

The adventurous date

Get dinner somewhere you have never been before and order the most obscure item on the menu. Then go to the Outdoor Adventure Center and try the shooting range or archery.

The study date

Have a big test coming up but still want to celebrate V-Day? Head to your favorite coffee shop and hit the books together. You’ll get to spend time with each other, but you’ll be productive at the same time.

Women’s Choir hosts state-wide vocal performance

LIBBEY MILES
Reporter

The Festival of Women’s Voices concert includes a mix of the South Dakota State University Women’s Choir and high school choir members from across the state. The concert has been held the second Thursday in February every three years since 2004.

Laura Diddle, director of choral activities at SDSU, said 600 to 700 people are expected to attend the Feb. 9 concert in the Performing Arts Center. This year’s choir will feature 120 high school students and 120 members of the SDSU women’s choir.

According to Diddle, the high school choir is composed of girls from 20 schools across South Dakota, including Roosevelt and O’Gorman in Sioux Falls, Sunshine Bible Academy in Miller, as well as schools from Harrisburg, Webster and Elkton.

It is an honor to be in the high school choir, Diddle said. Students are nominated for the program by their choral directors.

“The Festival of Women’s Voices provides a unique musical opportunity for young high school women to work with collegiate women celebrating not only

great music, but the spirit and power of 240 women uniting their voices to sing from their hearts and make a difference for our audience with their performance,” Diddle said.

Carol Krueger, director of choral activities at the University of Valdosta in Georgia, is the guest conductor for the show.

“Hopefully we will touch the hearts of many with our artistry and passion for choral music,” Krueger said.

There will be 12 pieces performed throughout the evening, with two of them sang together by the high school and SDSU Women’s Choir. The singers will rehearse with Krueger and Diddle throughout the day before the concert.

This is not the first time for some students to participate in the Festival of Women’s Voices, including Kathryn Paulson, a freshman human development and family studies major.

“I participated in this festival as an elementary student as well as a high school student,” Paulson said. “So, it will be fun to sing in it as a college student, too.”

Krueger will be directing the high school choir as well as the two songs the collegiate and high school girls will perform together. Diddle will be directing



Submitted photo
“Our future is in very good hands with these energetic, talented women,” said Laura Diddle, director of choral activities at SDSU. The Festival of Women’s Voices takes place Feb. 9.

the collegiate choir.

“As I tell the women of the SDSU Women’s Choir on a weekly basis — I am honored to be their director and privileged to work with them twice a week,” Diddle said. “Our future is in very good hands with these energetic, talented young women.”

Allison Bich, a freshman pre-phar-

macy major in the Women’s Choir, said she is excited to perform with such a large and talented choir.

“Being able to sing with so many women, with such great talent, will be an amazing experience,” Bich said.

The Festival of Women’s Voices takes place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 in the Performing Arts Center.

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As one star falls, another rises

CALEB CHRISTENSEN
Sports Reporter

Most of the time when a basketball team loses one of their star players for a season, they struggle to replace them, as well as find an identity as a team.

But that's not what happened to the South Dakota State women's basketball team when their lead scorer and point guard, Macy Miller, went down with a season-ending injury.

Alexis (Lexi) Alexander, a junior guard from Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, has played in every game as a Jackrabbit but never started until Miller went down. But 17th year Head Coach Aaron Johnston said he wasn't necessarily worried about replacing Miller.

"For us, it wasn't about replacing Macy," Johnston said. "It was about getting everybody else comfortable on how they needed to play without Macy. Lexi has done a great job there."

Alexander is a different player than Miller. She has never been a dynamic scorer, averaging two and 3.7 points per goal her first two years, but she makes up for that in different ways. She leads the team in assists-to-turnover ratio, she's one of the leaders in assists on the team and she is one of the team's best defenders.

"Lexi looks to facilitate to other people more than she does look to score for herself," Johnston said. "That doesn't mean she can't score; she can still take people off the dribble and score that way. She's also capable of making three pointers when she's open."

Ellie Thompson, a junior forward, was in the same recruiting class as Alexander and had nothing but positive things to say about her new point guard.

"She's a big contributor to our team," Thompson said. "It might not always seem that way, but she always comes away with a lot of steals and assists, so she makes a

lot of contributions other than scoring."

Thompson also said Alexander's ability to pass well, driving the ball and kicking out or taking the layup makes the defense work.

Alexander said she tried to do too much right away, trying to score as much as Miller did, then she remembered she needs to play her own game.

"I had to really just focus on my game and how I play the game, by being a distributor, playing hard defense and not being concerned about replicating Macy," Alexander said.

Alexander has grown a lot as a leader since taking over the point guard position, Thompson said. She's becoming more confident in herself and knowing her role to help the Jacks win.

Besides the seniors, most of the team hasn't played without Miller. Both Alexander and Thompson said that was one of the hardest things to deal with.

After Miller went down, the team lost to Louisville 83-30. Since then they have been much more comfortable and expect to win every game, as if Miller was playing with them.

"After the Louisville game, [Lexi] really took it upon herself to become a more encouraging and positive leader," Thompson said. "She's one of those people that is always high-fiving people and making sure that if someone made a bad play to keep their head up."

The Jacks never struggled to find an identity for themselves. Alexander stepped up along with her teammates when their star went down, winning 10 of their last 12 games to take first place in the Summit League standings as they close in on the end of the season.

"My teammates and coaches have really helped me to become more confident in myself," Alexander said. "They've told me to believe in myself, to play the way they know I can and that I'm Lexi, not Macy."



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Alexis Alexander shoots during the NDSU game on Thursday, Feb 2. The Jacks play Oral Roberts Wed., Feb 8.



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Alexis Alexander dribbles past opposing players during the USD game on Saturday, Feb. 2. The Jacks defeated the Coyotes 70-58.



ABBY FULLENKAMP • The Collegian
Alexis Alexander works toward the basket during the NDSU game on Thursday, Feb 2. SDSU's next game is at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8 in Frost Arena against Oral Roberts.

Thompson takes over successful soccer program

ANDREW HOLTAN
Sports Editor

After 17 seasons as the South Dakota State soccer team's head coach, Lang Wedemeyer announced Jan. 31 that he would be stepping down to take the head coaching position at Liberty University.

SDSU Athletic Director Justin Sell announced later that day that SDSU assistant soccer coach Brock Thompson would be named the Jackrabbits' new head coach. Thompson has been an asst. at SDSU for the past nine years.

"It was an emotional week, last week, for sure," Thompson said. "Seeing him (Wedemeyer) was bittersweet for sure because he's meant so much to so many people. But I'm honored with the chance to lead this program

and to carry on the things that SDSU soccer means to people."

Under Wedemeyer, the Jacks went to four NCAA tournaments and were four-time Summit League Tournament champions. The team also had 10 or more wins in eight of the last nine seasons. Thompson was an assistant when the Jacks made all of these achievements.

Thompson comes to the job with head coaching experience from three seasons at the University of Mary and three seasons at the University of North Dakota. His head coaching record is 61-36-7.

Even though Thompson has been a head coach, he said he learned the most about coaching while working under Wedemeyer.

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Jackrabbits get third win in a row, are ready for rivalry games

TRENTON ABREGO
Sports Reporter

The South Dakota State men's basketball team played two games in Frost Arena last week and came away with two victories to improve to 5-6 in the Summit League and 12-14 overall.

The first game was played Wednesday, Feb. 1, when SDSU defeated Western Illinois 98-65. Michael Orris led the Jacks with 18 points and eight assists. Mike Daum also had 16 points and five rebounds.

Saturday, Feb. 4, the Jackrabbits overcame a slow start, in which they only scored 22 points in the first half and came from behind to beat the Oral Roberts Golden Eagles in front of 3,917 fans at the 2017 Lamb Bonanza. Daum once again led

the way with 38 points and 17 rebounds.

"Even though we struggled at times to score, we could count on our defense all night long," Head Coach T.J. Otzelberger said about his team's performance.

Daum was awarded the Summit League Player of the Week for his performances and averaged 27 points and 11 rebounds in two games.

"They elected not to double team and trap him for the most part on his catches, certain nights that's the way people will play him, and when they do that's when he (Daum) needs to assert his dominance," Otzelberger said.

This was SDSU's third win in a row and they are now in sixth place in the Summit League standings. The Jackrab-

bbits have climbed three spots in the standings over the past two weeks.

Now the Jackrabbits will shift their focus to two rivalry games this week. The Jacks will be on the road to play against North Dakota State Wednesday, Feb. 8 and against the South Dakota Coyotes Saturday, Feb. 11.

"As much as we respect all the teams and coaches in the league, we haven't worried about our opponents as much as we just worry about us getting better," Otzelberger said.

However, the Jackrabbits have played NDSU at Frost Arena already this year and fell 80-69. The Jacks held a 15-point lead at halftime, and saw their lead grow as big as 16.

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In the second half, the Bison outscored the Jackrabbits 58-32. “We were up 38 to 22 at the half and we had, what I thought, was our worst half of the year in the second half,” Otzelberger said.

The Bison lead the Summit League standings, but have lost two straight games to the IUPUI Jaguars and the South Dakota Coyotes. For NDSU, they have the best defense statistically and only allow 69.5 points per game.

The Bison are led by Paul Miller, who averages 16 points per game, which is good for ninth in the Summit League. In the last contest against the Jackrabbits, Miller had 21 points and 10 assists.

Dexter Werner, who is fifth in the Summit League for rebounds with an average of seven per game, is a key player for the Bison.

On Saturday, the Jackrabbits will head to Vermillion to take on their in-state foe, the South Dakota Coyotes.

In the previous matchup against the Coyotes, the Jackrabbits won a close battle, 73-72, as Mike Daum scored a lay-up with

2.8 seconds remaining.

In the last contest against the Jackrabbits, the Coyotes were without Tyler Flack, who is averaging 14 points and seven rebounds. Flack has been playing well lately; in his last contest against the Bison he had 17 points.

The Coyotes are led by Matt Mooney, who averages 17.5 points and 4.3 rebounds. In the last time out against SDSU, Mooney had 22 points and five steals.

But, Otzelberger isn’t intimidated.

“We have grown and developed as a team. I think we are a lot better team this last month than we were the first weeks of conference play, and hopefully the progress we have made pays off,” Otzelberger said.

On the road, the Jackrabbits have struggled as they are just 2-10 on the season.

However, Otzelberger hopes the Jackrabbits can overcome those struggles and believes it starts on the defensive end.

“It’s so much harder to win on the road, you just got to be so perfect in so many areas, you got to be attentive to detail, you got to make shots, got to win rebounding and free throw mar-



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Fans celebrate Reed Tellinghuisen’s 3-point shot during the Western Illinois game on Wednesday, Feb. 1. The Jacks take on rivals NDSU and South Dakota Feb. 8 and Feb. 11, respectively.

gin, and that’s where we are going to keep our focus,” Otzelberger said.

Five league games remain for the Jackrabbits and they hope to make the most of them.

“We know once you get into the conference tournament, anything is possible, and we know we have a huge advantage with our fanbase and the support we are able to get at the Den-

ny [Sanford PREMIER Center] from our fans,” Otzelberger said. “We got five league games to go and we are looking at it one game at a time; it’s a one game season.”

Sports in brief

Wrestling

The No. 19 ranked South Dakota State wrestling team came away with two Big 12 Conference victories this weekend.

The Jacks defeated No. 15 Oklahoma University, 20-19, Friday, Feb. 3, in Frost Arena.

SDSU was trailing 19-13, before sophomore Seth Gross defeated Trae Blackwell to tie the match up. Because SDSU led 50-47 in the team point category, they were awarded the final point and the victory.

The Jacks then beat Utah Valley, 29-10, Saturday, Feb. 4 in Frost Arena. Juniors Luke Zilverberg and Nate Roetert both secured victories. Redshirt freshman Martin Mueller also scored a victory. SDSU is now 12-3 overall and 6-1 in the Big 12.

What’s next: Thursday, Feb. 9 the Jacks will head to Morgantown, West Virginia to take on West Virginia before heading to Blacksburg, Virginia to take on Virginia Tech Feb. 12.

Tennis

SDSU’s men’s and women’s tennis teams were both in Milwaukee, Wisconsin Feb. 4 and Feb. 5. Both teams went 0-2 on the weekend. The men fell to Marquette 7-0 and Cardinal Stritch 5-4.

Sophomore Emerson Styles and freshman Gabriel Santos were both victorious against Cardinal Stritch. Sophomore Chuck Tang and senior Lucas Pereira also picked up victories in the match, but the Jacks came up a point short.

The women fell to Milwaukee 7-1 and Cardinal Stritch 5-4. Sophomore Morgan Brower picked up the lone win for the Jacks against Milwaukee. SDSU won the doubles point but came up short in the single matches.

The men dropped to 0-4 on the season and the women fell to 0-5.

What’s next: The men will be back in action Wednesday, Feb. 8, when they take on Augustana in Sioux Falls. The women play Feb. 17-19 when they take on Northern Iowa, Montana and North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Swimming and Diving

The Jacks men and women’s swimming and diving teams participated in the Minnesota Challenge, hosted by the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

Senior Weston Christensen won the 1,650 meter freestyle, to capture his first ever first place finish in his collegiate career. Junior Parker Brown placed second in the 1-meter dive.

Junior Paige Hinton came in fourth place in the 200-meter butterfly and Sydney Rasmussenc claimed fourth in the 200 meter breaststroke.

What’s next: Next up for the Jacks is the Summit League Championships Feb. 15 through Feb. 18 in Indianapolis.



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(Top) Seth Gross celebrates after defeating Oklahoma’s Trae Blackwell. (Bottom) Alex Kocer wrestles against Oklahoma’s Davion Jeffries. The next step for the Jacks is to take on West Virginia Thursday, Feb. 9, in Morgantown, West Virginia.

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Jacks on top of Summit League with wins over rivals



ANDREW HOLTAN
Sports Editor

The South Dakota State women's basketball team came away with two victories in Frost Arena over rival opponents last week, to improve 18-5 overall and 9-2 in the Summit League.

The Jacks started their week Thursday, Feb. 2, with a 70-44 victory over North Dakota State. SDSU followed up with a 70-58 win over South Dakota Saturday, Feb. 4. With the win over USD, the Jackrabbits took sole possession of first place in the Summit League.

The Jacks led the whole game against NDSU and led for 38:45 against USD. Head Coach Aaron Johnston was pleased with the way his team controlled the games.

"I thought our defense was excellent in both games," Johnston said. "I thought we did a good job of disrupting their offenses and I think, when we had stretches where our offense wasn't as effective, our defense was still good and they were a huge part of sustaining those wins."

The Jacks defense is sec-

ond in the league in points given up per game, only allowing 59.7 points per game. USD came into the game against the Jacks scoring 73.7 points a game and SDSU held them to 58.

"We've defended the three point line very well and caused teams to take contested shots," Johnston said. "We've also done a good job of stopping penetration and closing those lanes."

Senior center Clarissa Ober, who came back from a shoulder injury in early January, had 15 points, 12 rebounds and three steals against USD.

"Every day she's looking healthier and healthier. She's definitely gaining more strength and confidence in her game and is doing a really nice job and did a lot in that USD game," Johnston said.

Up next for the Jacks will be their annual Think Pink Game, which will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Frost Arena against Oral Roberts.

The Jacks will wear special black uniforms with pink letters and numbers that will be auctioned off after the game, with the proceeds going to the Edith Sanford Breast Cancer Founda-

tion.

"This is a great organization and it will be the third year we've partnered up with them," Johnston said. "I think the partnership between us brings more awareness and support for people that are battling that difficult disease."

Oral Roberts comes into the game 13-11 overall and 5-6 in the Summit League, which puts them in fifth place. Oral Roberts is third in the Summit League in points given up per game. SDSU defeated ORU 78-57 in Tulsa, Oklahoma Jan. 14.

The Jacks will then travel to Indianapolis Saturday, Feb. 11, to take on IUPUI, which is 17-7 overall, the top defensive team in the Summit League and fourth overall in league with a record of 7-4. SDSU defeated IUPUI 68-49 in Brookings Jan. 11.

"Both teams are great defensively, so we better have some good plans on how we're gonna score," Johnston said. "Then on the offensive side, they both do a great job attacking the basket, so we're gonna have to do a good job of forcing them to take jump shots."



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Top left: Sydney Tracy goes up for a lay-up during the Feb. 4 game against USD. Bottom left: Madison Guebert high fives Kerri Young during the Summit League game against NDSU. Bottom right: Aaron Johnston huddles up with The Jacks during their Feb. 4 game against USD.

>> SOCCER COACH

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Even though Thompson has been a head coach, he said he learned the most about coaching while working under Wedemeyer.

"I've learned a ton from Lang, and I don't think there is a better person to leave a road

map, as far as leading a program, than him," Thompson said. "Being the head coach of a program is about the people that are involved and creating an environment and a culture where everybody thrives."

Thompson wants to keep the style of play that has led to the success the program has had.

"I love the way we play and train, so I don't see the way we

play changing. We'll still be founded in effort and grit we show defensively," Thompson said.

With the four NCAA tournament appearances, Thompson said the next step his program can take is winning a tournament game.

"We want to go deeper in the tournament," Thompson said. "Our focus is creating daily hab-

its that will produce long-term results and long-term success so we can compete with anyone in the country."

The Jacks finished this past season with an overall record of 10-7-4 and a 5-3 Summit League record. SDSU then won the Summit League Tournament, but fell to Nebraska in penalty kicks in the NCAA tournament.

Thompson is looking ahead

to next year and how his team will handle the transition.

"I love the leadership of this team, during this unique time of losing a coach who's been here for 17 years," Thompson said. "I like the fact that we return a whole lot of players who scored a lot of goals. So it's very exciting to have a good chunk of our attack coming back."

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: CHRIS HOWELL

ANDREW HOLTAN
Sports Editor

The South Dakota State men's basketball team came away with two victories last week. They defeated Western Illinois, 98-65, Wednesday, Feb. 1, and beat Oral Roberts, 74-67, Saturday, Feb. 4. SDSU guard Chris Howell scored 15 points against WIU. Howell had 20 points and 12 rebounds against Oral Roberts, while making six straight free throws to clinch the win. For these efforts, Howell has been named The Collegian's Athlete of the Week.

Year: Sophomore
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Major: Human Development and Family Studies



MIRANDA SAMPSON • The Collegian
Chris Howell dribbles toward the basket during the Western Illinois game on Wednesday, Feb. 1. The Jacks defeated the Leathernecks 98-65.



KAYCEE SHEPARDSON • The Collegian
Chris Howell attempts a lay up during the Western Illinois game on Wednesday, Feb. 1. SDSU plays NDSU at 7 p.m. Feb. 8 in Fargo, North Dakota.

Super Bowl upholds streak of history-making championships

ANDREW HOLTAN
Sports Editor

Super Bowl LI was arguably the greatest Super Bowl of all time. The New England Patriots came back from 25 points down to defeat the Atlanta Falcons, 34-28, in overtime. This comeback continued the trend of great championship games and series seen in 2016. It all started with the NCAA Division I basketball championship between the University of North Carolina and Villanova Monday, April 5, 2016. The game was tied at 74 when Villanova's Kris Jenkins hit a three as the final buzzer sounded, giving Villanova their first national title since 1985. It

was the second time in NCAA history a championship game ended on a buzzer beat. Then the NBA Finals series between the Golden State Warriors and the Cleveland Cavaliers happened. The finals consist of seven games and the Warriors were up 3-1. The Cavaliers would win the next two games, forcing an all-or-nothing game seven. The first game seven in the NBA Finals since 2013 was played Sunday, June 19, 2016. It was tied at 89 with 53 seconds left. That's when Cleveland's Kyrie Irving hit a three, giving the Cavaliers the victory. For the city of Cleveland, it was their first major sports championship since 1964. It was also the first time a team

ever came back from a 3-1 deficit in the NBA Finals. The World Series between the Chicago Cubs and Cleveland Indians was next. Like the NBA Finals, the World Series consists of seven games. Cleveland was up 3-1 and Chicago came back to even up and force a game seven for Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016. The Cubs had a 6-3 lead going into the eighth inning, but the Indians cut it to 6-4. Then, Cleveland's Rajai Davis came to the plate with a man on second and two outs. He hit the ball to left field and just barely cleared the wall, tying the game at 6. The game then went into extra innings after neither team scored in the ninth inning. After a rain delay, the

Cubs came out and scored two runs, giving them an 8-6 lead. In the bottom of the 10th the Indians scored one run but would leave a man at second base as the Cubs won, 8-7. This was the Cubs first World Series win since 1908 and it was the fifth time ever a World Series game seven went into extra innings. Finally, the Division I College football championship between Alabama and Clemson Monday, Jan. 9, 2017. Alabama jumped out to an early 14-0 lead and led 14-7 at halftime. Clemson came all the way back to take a 28-24 lead, with 4:38 left in the game. Alabama quarterback Jalen Hurts pulling off a 30-yard touchdown run with 2:07 sec-

onds left; giving them a 31-28 lead. Clemson would then drive the ball all the way down to the two-yard line. With one second left on the clock, Clemson quarterback Deshaun Watson threw a touchdown pass to Hunter Renfrow winning the game, 35-31. I've been alive for 21 years and this is the best string of championship games and series I can remember. It's not very often a championship game goes down to the wire, but there's been five games that have since April 2016. Hopefully, this doesn't mean there won't be any good championship games in 2017. The next one is the 2017 NCAA Division I basketball championship game Monday, April 3.

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